

# Interview Summary

Application No.  
**09/144,851**

Applicant(s)  
**Kato et al**

Examiner  
**Curtis E. Sherrer**

Group Art Unit  
**1761**

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Curtis E. Sherrer (3) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Anne M. Kornbau (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview Mar 29, 2000

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement ☐ was reached. ☒ was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: All claims in general, specifically, Claim 1.

Identification of prior art discussed:

Seike, Jap. Pat. No. 0324931

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

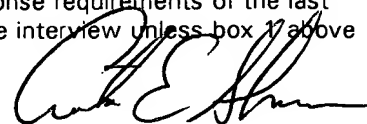
Applicants will consider amending the independent claim to recite a limitation directed to the exclusion of any added alkaline agents. (See page 4, first full paragraph of specification). This would obviate the standing 102 rejection. Will try to submit said amendment before further action is taken on the application.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. ☐ Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.



**CURTIS E. SHERRER  
PRIMARY EXAMINER  
ART UNIT 1761**

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.